



**Career and Technical Education:
Preparing Students for the 21st Century**

**U. S. Department of Education
Office of Vocational and Adult Education
Division of Academic and Technical Education**

Tribally Controlled Postsecondary Career and Technical Institutions Program

The Tribally Controlled Postsecondary Career and Technical Institutions Program (TCPCTIP), authorized under section 117 of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (Perkins IV), provides grants to tribally controlled postsecondary career and technical institutions that do not receive assistance under the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act or the Navajo Community College Act. Grant funds are used for expenses associated with capital expenditures, maintenance and operation of programs, expansion and improvement of educational offerings and student support services, and institutional support for career and technical education programs for Indian students.

The Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE) competitively awarded two new five-year TCPCTIP grants following the reauthorization of the Perkins IV legislation in August 2007 (see inset). Roughly \$7.36 million dollars was available for the first year of a five-year project period. Funding for years two through five is subject to the availability of funds and to a grantee making substantial progress in achieving its project goals and objectives.

Outcomes and Products

- Native American students who are better prepared for further education and careers in high skill, high demand careers.
- Annual and final performance reports that document grantee's progress in meeting project goals and objectives.
- Annual performance data on students' progress in achieving positive educational and employment outcomes.

TCPCTIP Grantees

- **Navajo Technical College (NTC) – NTC**
(formerly Crownpoint Institute of Technology) is a tribal technical college located in Crownpoint, New Mexico, which was established and chartered by the Navajo Nation. It serves approximately 400 students per year.
- **United Tribes Technical College (UTTC)**
- UTTC, located in Bismarck, North Dakota, was founded by the United Tribes of North Dakota Development Corporation, an intertribal organization operated by five tribes: the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation; the Spirit Lake Tribe; the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe; the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe; and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. UTTC serves over 1,000 students per year.

Timeline The current grants operate from September 2007 – October 2012.

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Web Sites Navajo Technical College - <http://205.242.219.103/mission.html>
United Tribes Technical College - <http://www.uttcc.edu/default.asp>
American Indian Higher Education Commission - <http://www.aihec.org/>